

General Assembly

Amendment

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To: House Bill No. **5004**

File No. 267

Cal. No. 173

(As Amended)

"AN ACT INCREASING THE MINIMUM FAIR WAGE."

- 1 Strike section 1 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu
- 2 thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Subsection (i) of section 31-58 of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 5 *October 1, 2019*):
- 6 (i) "Minimum fair wage" in any industry or occupation in this state
- 7 means: [a]
- 8 (1) A wage of not less than six dollars and seventy cents per hour,
- 9 and effective January 1, 2003, not less than six dollars and ninety cents
- 10 per hour, and effective January 1, 2004, not less than seven dollars and
- 11 ten cents per hour, and effective January 1, 2006, not less than seven

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dollars and forty cents per hour, and effective January 1, 2007, not less

- 13 than seven dollars and sixty-five cents per hour, and effective January
- 14 1, 2009, not less than eight dollars per hour, and effective January 1,
- 15 2010, not less than eight dollars and twenty-five cents per hour, and
- 16 effective January 1, 2014, not less than eight dollars and seventy cents
- 17 per hour, and effective January 1, 2015, not less than nine dollars and
- 18 fifteen cents per hour, and effective January 1, 2016, not less than nine
- dollars and sixty cents per hour, and effective January 1, 2017, not less
- 20 than ten dollars and ten cents per hour, [or] and effective January 1,
- 21 <u>2020, not less than eleven dollars per hour, and effective January 1,</u>
- 22 <u>2021</u>, not less than twelve dollars per hour, and effective January 1,
- 23 2022, not less than thirteen dollars per hour, and effective January 1,
- 24 2023, not less than fourteen dollars and twenty-five cents per hour, and
- 25 <u>effective January 1, 2024, not less than fifteen dollars per hour.</u>
- 26 (2) In no event shall the minimum fair wage be less than the amount
- 27 established under subdivision (1) of this subsection, or one-half of one
- 28 per cent rounded to the nearest whole cent more than the highest
- 29 federal minimum wage, whichever is greater, except as may otherwise
- 30 be established in accordance with the provisions of this part.
- 31 (3) All wage orders in effect on October 1, 1971, wherein a lower
- 32 minimum fair wage has been established, are amended to provide for
- 33 the payment of the minimum fair wage herein established except as
- 34 hereinafter provided.
- 35 (4) Whenever the highest federal minimum wage is increased, the
- 36 minimum fair wage established under this part shall be increased to
- 37 the amount of said federal minimum wage plus one-half of one per
- 38 cent more than said federal rate, rounded to the nearest whole cent,
- 39 effective on the same date as the increase in the highest federal
- 40 minimum wage, and shall apply to all wage orders and administrative
- 41 regulations then in force.
- 42 (5) The rates for [learners, beginners, and] <u>all</u> persons under the age
- of eighteen years, except emancipated minors, shall be not less than

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44 eighty-five per cent of the minimum fair wage for the first [two

- 45 hundred hours] ninety days of such employment, or ten dollars and
- 46 ten cents per hour, whichever is greater, and shall be equal to the
- 47 minimum fair wage thereafter, except in institutional training
- 48 programs specifically exempted by the commissioner.
- 49 <u>(6) After two consecutive quarters of negative growth in the state's</u> 50 real gross domestic product, as reported by the Bureau of Economic
- 51 Analysis of the United States Department of Commerce, the Labor
- 52 Commissioner shall report his or her recommendations, in writing, to
- 53 the Governor regarding whether any scheduled increases in the
- 54 minimum fair wage pursuant to subsection (i) of section 31-58, as
- amended by this act, should be suspended. Upon receiving the report,
- 56 the Governor may submit his or her recommendations regarding the
- 57 <u>suspension of such minimum fair wage increases to the General</u>
- 58 Assembly."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Sect	tion 1	October 1, 2019	31-58(i)